

**Council on Postsecondary Education  
Committee on Equal Opportunities  
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## **Status of Equal Educational Opportunity Programs**

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The council supports statewide programs that assist in attracting, enrolling, retaining, and graduating African American students. The institutions are encouraged to use the programs to support strategies outlined in the Kentucky Plan for Equal Opportunities and the Partnership Agreement with the Office for Civil Rights. Many African Americans have participated in and benefited from the programs.

### **The Governor's Minority Student College Preparation Program**

To assess the overall effectiveness of the GMSCPP and to evaluate the impact that the academic enrichment programs have on the underprepared minority population, each institution will submit an evaluation of the program. The evaluations will focus on how well the institutions addressed the statewide objectives. Evaluations are due August 15. Results of the evaluations will be provided at the October meeting.

Directors of the Governor's Minority Student College Preparation Program met for a follow-up meeting of the 1<sup>st</sup> GMSCPP Statewide Conference and discussed plans for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Statewide Conference that will be hosted by Murray State University in June 2002. Directors offered suggestions and made recommendations to improve the 2002 conference.

### **The Louisville Defender Minority Expo**

The Minority Consumer Expo will be held November 9-11, 2001, at the Kentucky International Convention Center in downtown Louisville. State government and the Louisville Defender sponsor the annual event. The Expo offers postsecondary institutions an opportunity to showcase their "best practices" and to answer questions from students and parents. College and university participation in the event is coordinated through the council. Institutional representatives have been asked to submit comments, ideas, and suggestions for improvement of the event to the council staff.

### **The Governor's Diversity Day**

Although this is not a postsecondary education program, the council participates in this event. The Governor's Diversity Day is Wednesday, November 14, 2001, at the Farnham Dudgeon Civic Center in downtown Frankfort. The conference is a forum to promote diversity and multiculturalism in health, education, and industry. The state's Personnel Cabinet coordinates the conference. The institutions will be contacted to determine their interest in participating.